GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Export of Leather and Leather Products
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantity and net value of annual exports of leather and leather products from India during the last five years, year-wise;
(b) whether there has been a decreasing trend in the exports of leather and leather products from the country during the said period;
(c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the reaction of the Government thereto;
(d) whether the leather industry forms a part of the Make-in-India campaign of the Government; and
(e) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to boost the exports of leather and leather products and revive the leather industry?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) : The total quantity and value of annual exports of leather and leather products from India during the last five years, year-wise is attached at Annexure.

(b) &(c) : The export of leather and leather products from India increased from USD 4873.53 million in 2011-12 to USD 6494.84 million but decreased to USD 5853.96 million in 2015-16 due to reduction in global demand and slower economic growth worldwide.

(d) & (e): Yes Madam. Steps have been taken for quality up-gradation of leather products to improve competitiveness in international markets. Also, the Merchandise Exports from India Scheme (MEIS), Interest Equalization Scheme, Export Promotion Capital Goods Scheme (EPCG), Market Access Initiative Scheme (MAI) and Duty Free Import Scheme (DFIS) have provisions to boost exports of leather and leather products. Indian Leather Development Programme (ILDP) implemented by Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP) provides for modernization and technology up-gradation of leather units, addressing environmental concerns, human resource development, supporting traditional leather artisans, addressing infrastructure constraints and establishing institutional facilities.

ANNEXURE

Value-wise exports of leather and leather products

(value in Million US$)

Product	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Finished leather	1024.69	1093.73	1284.71	1329.05	1046.44
Leather Footwear	1717.24	1693.89	2035.45	2278.18	2147.20
Footwear components	281.94	245.86	320.15	361.29	284.32
Leather garments	572.45	563.54	596.15	604.35	554.29
Leather goods	1089.71	1180.82	1353.91	1452.83	1369.00
Saddlery& harness	107.54	110.41	145.54	162.70	146.38
Non-leather footwear	79.96	127.16	202.06	306.44	306.33
TOTAL	4873.53	5015.41	5937.97	6494.84	5853.96

Source: Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics, Govt. of India
Quantity-wise exports of leather and leather products

Products	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Finished Leather (Sq.ft.)	742.47	759.56	828.28	836.88	723.35
Footwear Components (Pairs)	44.90	38.72	39.86	64.03	59.32
Harness & Saddlery (Pieces)	18.40	15.22	15.89	19.41	20.43
Leather Footwear (Pairs)	90.89	88.67	94.92	105.54	108.16
Leather Garments (Pieces)	9.85	10.21	9.32	9.38	8.87
Leather Gloves (Pairs)	111.74	131.25	146.22	149.05	149.61
Leather Goods (Pieces)	139.68	144.60	147.58	157.22	149.22
Non Leather Footwear (Pairs)	10.80	12.35	13.78	13.63	18.81

(Value in Million Units)
Source: Council for Leather Exports (CLE) Membership records.